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Star reporter, Jim Colvin interviews David Ruffin.

David Ruffin — Doing His Own Thing

BY ALONZA COLVIN,
Editor

On Saturday, January 1 at the Saginaw Auditorium, the editor of the Valley Star had the pleasure of sitting with the ever popular David Ruffin. He talked with him about making it on his own and who seems to be maintaining more momentum as he goes on with his singing career. The Valley Star was very happy to talk with this bright young man.

During our conversation we discussed many things about the young people of today and the rolls they must play. David placed many values on the youth of today, but he strongly believed the young people should stay in school and get an education. He said it's tough to get into the entertainment world. And that's why it's very important to get an education, so you can have something to fall back on if things don't work out.

I asked him the most important thing to ever happen to him and his answer was that he was lucky to have a mother and father who loved him and who helped him grow up to be a productive young man in his 18 years as an entertainer.

The Saginaw Auditorium brought the new year in with a bang when it featured the former lead singer of the Temptations, David Ruffin. Mr Ruffin, a brilliant singer and performer, gave a crowd-raising performance on the night of January 1, 1972.

Ruffin has been in the entertainment field for 18 years and is originally from Mississippi. As a single artist David feels that his singing career is the best thing that could happen to him. When asked whether he was more relaxed singing alone than in a group he replied, "I find myself more relaxed with what I am, you know, I sing."

Since his break with the Temptations, Mr Ruffin does

not feel that it has hampered his career. The response is the same, but if his career was more publicized and reaching more people the response would be greater.

Mr Ruffin, just back from Texas, will leave again on the 7th of January to tour England with Stevie Wonder.

In advising young adults who are struggling to make it in the entertainment field, Mr Ruffin admonishes them to stay in school and get an education. He concluded the interview with "Peace to everyone and Happy New Year."

Comments from fans attending the David Ruffin performance began with Miss Joyce Jordan. Joyce was quite pleased with the reaction of the crowd and it was an earlier performance given by David Ruffin which brought her back to see him again.

Saginaw's own L. J. Reynolds, just back from the Apollo in New York in an appearance with Wilson Pickett, commented on the show. He said of Mr Ruffin, "He's had a bad, as far as singing, he's good. He's makin' it." L. J. Reynolds termed Mr Ruffin's performance as "fantastic."

Lois Sherman who was also celebrating her birthday, was having a "very nice time" as she put it. When asked whether she thought David Ruffin is a superstar she replied, "Of course I do." She cited "I've got to find myself a brand new baby" as being one of her favorite recordings by David Ruffin.

I asked him if there were one wish he could make what would he wish and with that he said, "Peace and a Happy New Year to everyone."



L.J. Reynolds and company says "He's cool."



David Ruffin relaxes before the show with beautiful companion.

Black Wholeness, White Pathology

BY CHARLES G. ADAMS

Up until recently the race problem was considered to be the black problem. White social scientists spent billions of dollars and decades of time studying black people. Their basic assumption was that the sickness lay on the black side of racial division and that the wholeness lay on the white side.

They said that our sickness was produced by the indignities that had been heaped upon us from this disruptive and dehumanizing effects of slavery to the white exploitation in modern ghettos. They maintained for Black sickness was white

culture. They held the Black man must become white in order to be well. They insisted that we deny our selfhood in order to be accepted.

Unfortunately, this was Gunnar Myrdal's main thesis elaborately presented in this large two volume work entitled, "An American Dilemma." This work was directed by whites, but had terrific black scholarly input. The Myrdal thesis was accepted by the black social scientists of the thirties and forties and it is the assumption of many a present discussion on race relations in America.

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I have debated writing this letter for fear of being misunderstood, being called a racist or accused of being self-seeking. I guess I could be considered guilty of the last charge if I acknowledge my thoughts of returning to Saginaw to make some contribution to it. But regardless of this, it must be acknowledged that the black athlete of the Saginaw Public School System has been totally ignored by it. In the whole history of this school system there has never been a black coach from the ranks of these black athletes. The black coaches that the system finally did hire are not graduates of this system. I hope that these coaches will understand that my complaint is not with them, but I must say what I have to say. There have been innumerable black athletes that have come and gone. They have left an undeniable record of excellence as have the white athletes on both

sides of the river. If we can be used at one stage of careers, then why can we not be used at other stages of our development as human beings? We can be just as valuable as the Jim Blankhorns, the Eric Sundecks, the Lou Economos, the Gary Lees, the Dick Goodwins and now the Grays and Laedings. Cannot the Ernie Thompsons, the Jerry Tilmans, Larry Lindsays, or Dick Williams be just as much an asset to this town?

Why shouldn't black families be as proud as white families of the accomplishments and contributions of their children to Saginaw?

The school system, as well as the town, should start addressing itself to the problems of Saginaw and quit thinking that putting a game in the afternoon has eliminated the problem.

Yours truly,
Web Kriksey
Former Saginaw High
Athlete

Defends Black Running Mate Position

Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, leading Democratic candidate for President, declares in an interview in Sepia magazine that his statement predicting that nomination of a Black vice president would bring defeat to his party was "an answer that I believe to be true."

In the interview in a special "Politics: 1972" issue of Sepia for January, Sen. Muskie defends his position on the controversial issue. Noting that a number of Black leaders have asked him if it was not "A political mistake to make such a statement," Muskie states in Sepia, a leading Black monthly magazine.

"Blacks have been telling that us white politicians lie too much. So which would you rather have? An answer that I know is a lie — at least from my point of view — or an answer that I believe to be true?"

Muskie contends that his statement about a Black Vice President frankly faces up to the facts of political inequality for Black Americans. In the Sepia interview he expresses the opinion that there would be a Black in the Cabinet and pledges that, "I would make an effort to do that," if elected to the White House.

In defense of his much quoted position on a Black Vice President, Muskie told Sepia:

"Black leaders have been drumming home to other Americans the facts of Black inequality in this country. The fact that a Black child has a 90 percent more chance of dying before his first birthday — that's a fact. Should we utter it? Should we mention it? Is it bad to face it? The fact that a Black has a 90 percent chance of being unemployed more than a white. Should we acknowledge it, then work to correct it?"

"Well, if you talk of all the other inequalities frankly so that you can correct them, why do we turn away from an

acknowledgement of Black political inequality? You can't correct these inequalities unless you face them, bring them to the attention of Americans who are not aware of them."

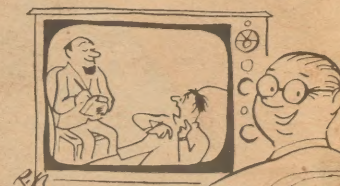
Continuing in his defense, Muskie stressed:

"I was not trying to promote a point of view in that statement. I was trying to give an honest opinion to a group of Black leaders in a private meeting. In that same meeting, I said that I regretted that this was a fact. If I have any regrets about it,

it is that I was misinterpreted and misunderstood."

This article was taken from the "Michigan Chronicle" Saturday Jan. 1, 1972 issue.

The Old Timer



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The Time . . . What Must Be Done

I'm sure that we will all agree that today we are living in a very 'prophetic' time and if one is 'Biblically' inclined, he could not help but look and feel the seriousness of the day in which we live. Days in which very wise men foresaw, practically to the letter, days in which there are wars and rumors of wars, days in which prostitution, gambling and intoxication are as fluent and common as Lipton tea. Days in which men are mistaken for women and vice-versa, days in which everybody wants to write a

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To be physically well was to be an expert in the mimic of white folkways. One had to cut his hair to hide its texture or process it, distorting its natural beauty. One had to change his way of speaking so as to excise all the black colloquialisms from his language and develop a white, northern accent. One had to suppress his feelings of emotion and spontaneous joy in church, at a party or with his kin.

One had to wean himself away from group solidarity with other blacks and cultivate white friends and identify with white people. (When I attended Harvard in the late fifties and early sixties, it was not unusual to be snubbed on the street by black students who were struggling hard to become white.)

One had to redirect his love for soul music and become a lover of Bach, Brahms and Wagner. One had to restrain his appetite for soul food and learn to eat asparagus even though one might dislike it. But having done all this, blacks were still unacceptable to whites. The educated Black was often a man without a home or identity.

White people are still pathologically hung up on color. In a recent Free Press survey, over 70 percent of the Blacks interviewed said they didn't care whether their next door neighbor was Black or White. Hardly 40 percent of the whites questioned held the same liberated view regarding color.

The sickness of racism is defined as the White man's deadly preoccupation with color. The saneness in the situation is provided by Blacks who don't give a damn whether a neighbor is Black or White so long as he possess integrity of character.

Rather than bewail our troubles, Black scholars are studying the prevailing Black solidarity which enabled us to cope with the hatred and crimes and views of white people against Black people.

We are in the process of studying the positive elements in the Black community which have helped us to counteract the negative words and deeds of an oppressive majority. The current comprehension of Black wholeness should lead whites to a deeper apprehension of White sickness.

book, or to put it more profoundly, "DO HIS THING." As one brother may say about another, "Well he's doing his thing, but if his thing is not your thing, than it's not the thing to do, that is if we keep in mind that what is right for me, is also right for my brother." That is the most definite reason I, myself, can accuse for the total amount of disunity among people today. Everybody's doing his or her separate thing, instead of trying to come together as a people, we compete as individuals, which no doubt will keep us divided and surely not our brother's keeper.

The prophet, Ezekiel, when he speaks of those dry bones and that they were gonna rise again, I myself, certainly think that he was referring to this particular black man in America, who at one time, was certainly a very dry bone.

There has been a black awakening within the past decade, but in my opinion, if

blacks are to find total identity, he must first learn to be himself, he can only be himself, practicing righteousness. To clarify, one can never expect to know the entire truth if he himself does not practice it, that is the insurance that the truth will never reach the evildoer.

So, if we are to avert the prophets figure as those to be saved from that ever burning fire, which the prophesy says to be one hundred and forty-four thousand (144,000) we must practice righteousness and in practicing righteousness, we will find truth and identity then and only then will it be deserving.

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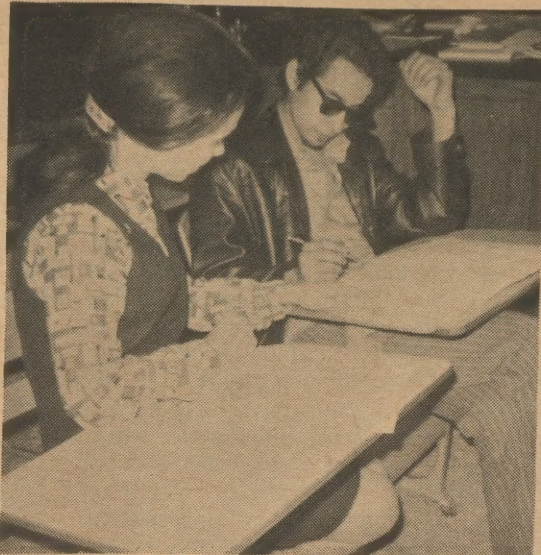
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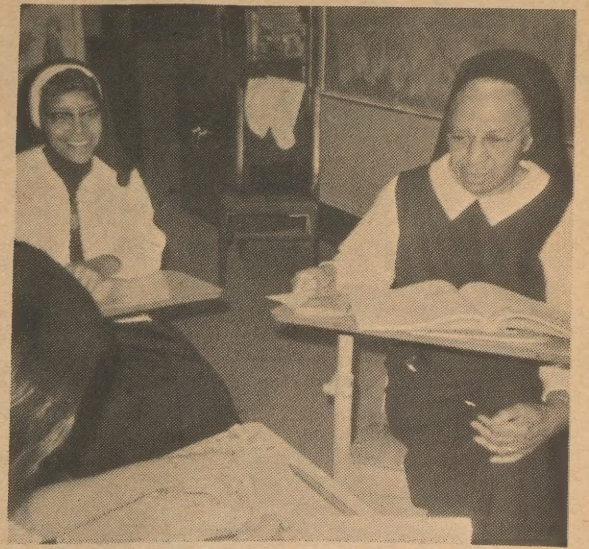
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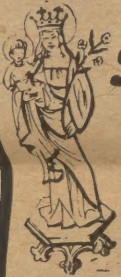
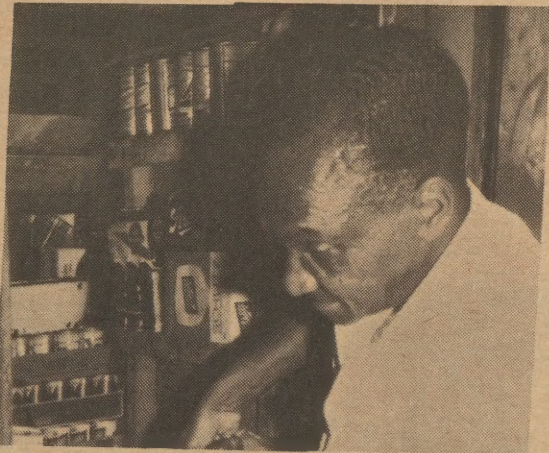


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St. Joseph Adult Education Center

"One Big Happy Family"

BY KAREN WEBB

In the summer of 1967, 50 persons (sisters, priests, parishioners) surveyed the entire Model City Neighborhood to discover the need of residents near St. Joseph's. A door to door survey showed three priorities in educational needs: pre-school, basic education, and high school diploma. Mt. Carmel assumed the first program, Sacred Heart the second and St. Joseph's the third. In the years, 1967-68 which was the start of the Adult Education Program, there were 70 registrations, 200 enrollments, 7 graduates and 18 volunteer teachers. Presently, for the years '71 and '72, there are 200 registrations, 600 enrollments, 40 projected graduates and 43 volunteer teachers. Programs offered now are GED Preparation courses, Basic Adult Education, High School Diploma, English, as a second language and Delta College courses as compared with the one program, high school diploma, at the start of the Education Center.

Financially, St. Joseph's greatest support is from Model Cities. In '67, the United Fund gave the Adult Education program \$3,000 upon request, but since then it has rejected any further request. The Policy Board of Model Cities Program granted \$25,898 but was given \$29,678. There has never been

any other financial help other than the small fee the students attending pay. This helps a little on the maintenance of the building. Other requests have been made to various businesses, but no support as of yet has come in.

Other services have been provided by St. Joseph's Program such as:

Delta Counseling, Monday night, counselor Phil Bowman; Draft Counseling, Tuesday night, counselor, Lou Cates; Bible Class, Friday (7-8:30) Fr Carl, Fr Bill, Fr Jerry, Sr Bede; Brown Beret Meeting, Sunday (11:30) leader, Rick Valle; Tutorial Sessions Daily (4:5), teacher, Sr Jordan Marie.

Also upon request, we have held meetings of:

Model Cities meetings, C A

C meetings; practice sessions, musical groups; men's club; tutorial classes, business, Science, English; various meetings, sewing workshop, afternoon not set, teacher Sr Bede; sewing workshop, Wednesday evening, teacher, Sr Bede; Community Discussion Group (7-9), speakers, programs explained, leadership instructions, heads of agencies etc.

Registration for second semester begins January 17-19 anytime after 2 p.m.

Programs: Preparation for GED, Diploma (Career Prep. and college prep) Tutorial in basic ed.

Curriculum: English, speech, science courses, business courses, reading,

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Sister Pamela teaches Biology.



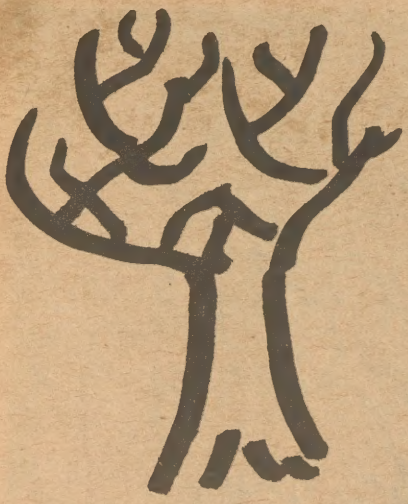
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Longtime Grocery Leaving Business

Everyone knows Napolitano's Grocery Store, 900 N. 3rd. Sure, everyone knows Louie, the guy who has run this corner grocery store for the past 31 years, give or take a few. Louie took the store over from his parents when he was twenty-one years old in the month of May, and the year of 1940.

Now Louie is married, has two children, and a wife who help out at the store on Fridays and Saturdays.

As the reporter watched Louie Napolitano wait on his customers, she noticed how the years of managing a store can bring about personal friendships and the acknowledgment of just about everyone's name in the community. The experience was amazing, a customer would enter, "Hey Louie what's happening", and the two would hold such a friendly, open, everyday conversation. They could kid and talk about each other in an objective manner.

Louie stated, "I really enjoy working with the community and its people, and it's very hard nowadays to walk into a place and get the warm welcome as you sometimes can in a community grocery store." He feels that the people of his neighborhood appreciate him as he appreciates them. He loves his work, which is seen by the way he treats his customers.

Just to prove that sometimes the older machines involved in business are better, take a look in Napolitano's, I believe he has a 1920 cash register, you know the kind, the one with the "No Sale" sign that pops up. Louie says the older the machine the better the quality. Bet nobody can walk away with that gadget.

The right hand man around the store is Charlie Brown, who has been with Napolitano's for about 16 years now. He is the handyman who delivers

groceries and many other things. Charlie is around 50 years old and has never said or heard a word in his life. Who else would hire a man like this. The Big society places would not except a man enough to trust him with their money, and even their time. That is another example of what a small business can do for someone who may not have been able to do for themselves. Here is a blend of companionship, that is not offered in many places. Corner grocery stores have given many of our brothers, sons and daughters jobs, when a job downtown somewhere was never to be found.

As the children come in Napolitano's on school lunch break, Louie looks at them and sees that he is now serving the second generation of many of his regular customers. Many stores don't stay under the same management as many years as Napolitano has, and as the years pass, the rewarding things begin to appear to a owner's sight. Not necessarily money, but the memento.

Soon this historical building won't be under the management of the Napolitano's family, where the back room was the birthplace of Louie in the year of 1919. Louie is planning on leaving the business as soon as he sells the store or if a new owner isn't found, it will probably be just closed up.

Most important in the article that Louie wanted so definitely to stress is that he is leaving the store with the thought of his good and courteous customers which he so devotedly served for so many years. Louie and Mrs. Louie want to thank all their customers, those purchasing and those who just stopped in for a friendly chat. They appreciate your patience and warmheartedness that was shown to him and his family in their many years of service.

Louie's secret to success and security of his business was, "he tried to make everyone happy." That must be the key.



Grocery leaving business — (l to r) Charlie Brown & Louie Napolitano stand together side by side in companionship.

Don't Let This Happen To You

Employees who are absent cause themselves many unnecessary problems, among these is the monetary loss or the loss of the ability to purchase necessary or desirable material objects, such as:

(Figures represent Days of Absence, Equivalent Financial Loss, and Loss of Purchasing Power)

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12 days, \$408.00, a 25" portable color TV set of a room of furniture.

52 days, \$1,768.00, a refrigerator, range, washer and dryer, or college tuition for one year, or two weeks vacation for two people in Hawaii.

Absent employees don't make good fellow employees. Regularly scheduled jobs that are started in the morning must be stopped, and those people must be given a job they are not familiar with

to replace an absent employee.

These employees then must work on a strange job with strange tools or equipment and for a different foreman, all of which was created by someone just not reporting for work. Here is where quality suffers.

We have every reason to believe that you and all of your other fellow employees will want to join together and help make our plant a more efficient and enjoyable place to work.

The City of Saginaw is calling a public hearing at 7:30 p.m., EST, on Tuesday, January 18, 1972, in the all-purpose room of the Multi-Purpose Center.

The purpose of this combined corridor and design hearing is to provide the opportunity for a public discussion of the proposed implementation of a Fifth Avenue-Sixth Avenue one-way system, and the extension of Fifth Avenue to Thompson Street.



Jun Avila working out accounts.

New Model Cities Accountant

A newer Model Cities employee is Jun Avila, who is classified as Accountant No. 1. His responsibility is to take care of all accounting for Model Cities Programs, and make monthly reports to HUD.

He is a graduate of Far Eastern University in Manila, the Philippines and

came to United States in 1962. He has a Bachelor's Degree of Science in Commerce. He was presently employed at Sam Symons & Company as an accountant also.

Jun is married, with a family of two boys. Anyone wishing assistance in accounting, feel free to come to him for advice.



Snack time in church.



Sampling of the goodies.



Pastor Hall modeling.

Fashion Show At Bethesda Church

On Sunday evening, January 9, the Bethesda Youth Challengers of Bethesda Baptist Church presented a fashion show featuring fashions mostly designed and made by members of the youth group. The Challengers regularly take charge of one Sunday evening service each month,

presenting many kinds of special-interest programs. Fashions included formal styles, clothing from other lands, and even maternity fashions.

At the end of the program all the models were introduced and special recognition was given to Earlene Anderson, Diane

Wells, Alice Hall, and Ella Mae Jones, for their work in planning the program. Credit also goes to Larry Austin, president of the Challengers.

The models also included Linda Harris, Linda Wallace, Lovay Wallace, Emma Jones, Louis Mitchell, Clarence Patterson, Sylvester Lane, Foster

Moore, Jessie Jones, Mrs Roberta Franklin, Cornelin Stron, Sharon Arnett, Jeannie Woods, Mobel Brandon, and Rita Mitchell (who will be remembered as the Buena Vista High School Homecoming Queen of 1971). Also, modeling was Pastor Nick Hall, who wore an insulated Arabian wool robe,

made in Spain, a gift from his son, Nick Hall, Jr., who was traveling in Europe.

Giving the commentary on the fashion show was Mrs Patricia Hardin.

Following the show, the young ladies of the BYC served refreshments in the church basement.

City Income Tax Forms Mailed

Beginning Monday, January 10, 1972, City income tax return forms will be in the mail and on the way to approximately 50,000 Saginaw area residents. Milton A. Bender, City Income Tax Administrator, said this year's mailing represents an increase of about 10,000 forms over the number mailed last year.

Bender also advises that several changes have been made in the City's income tax laws which will affect all Saginaw residents and those non-residents working or performing services within the city. The changes result from certain amendments signed by Governor Milliken

on December 2, 1971 which alters the 1964 City Income Tax Act.

The most far reaching of the changes is the new requirement which makes it mandatory that everyone who has a taxable income under the City Income Tax Ordinance must file a return, even though there may be no tax to pay or refund to be received. In effect, this eliminates the former \$2.00 limitation which said if a taxpayer's tax due was \$2.00 or less he needn't bother to file a return.

A City resident pays 1 percent tax on all income he receives, regardless where he earns it. A non-resident pays

½ percent tax on only that portion of his income which he earns in the city.

Taxable income includes salaries, wages, commissions, bonuses, profits from businesses, dividends, (including dividends on state and national bank stock,) interest, capital gains, rents and other income. However, dividends and interest are not taxable to a non-resident.

If a person's only income is from a non-taxable source, such as social security, gifts, welfare or unemployment benefits, interests on government obligations, or payments for services in the armed forces, he will not have to file a return.

And under these amendments all deductions except itemized deductions are allowed. In addition to sick pay and business expenses, deductions for moving expenses are also allowed, if the moving is into the Saginaw area. No deduction may be taken, however, for moving expenses away from the Saginaw area. Self-employed persons may now deduct for contributions to a bona fide retirement plan. All deductions must be pro-rated on the same basis as income is pro-rated. For instance, the non-resident salesman who claims 25 percent of his in-

come as taxable to Saginaw can only deduct 25 percent of his business expenses which are not reimbursed by his employer.

Alimony and similar payments may now be deducted but only to the extent such payments are included as income on spouse's federal tax return. A non-resident, however, can claim only the portion of his alimony payment which is based on the ratio of his city income to his total income.

Any business, including corporations, partnerships or sole proprietorships and self-employed persons, may no longer carry back any net operating or capital losses. Such losses may only be carried forward for five years as under the federal internal revenue code.

Other sections of the amendment now consider the State of Michigan as an employer and makes it mandatory that it withhold City income tax from the income of its employees. Another provision of the amendment eliminates the exemption of dividends on state and national bank stock, and a final requirement now provides that payments and refunds on City income tax on amounts of less than \$1.00 shall not be made.

These changes have been included in the instruction sheets to be mailed with the tax reporting forms to every home and apartment in the city and surrounding areas. If you have any questions, call 753-2423 or visit the City In-

come Tax office, Water Filtration Plant, Ezra Rust Drive. Questions by mail should be addressed to the Administrator, City Income Tax, City Hall, Saginaw, Michigan, 48601.

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Sara Esparza	Neighborhood Worker

Tea To Be Held

March of Dimes Annual Tea will be held January 23, 1972, Sunday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. at First Ward Community Center.

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Multipurpose building.



Franklin Gary

Multi-Purpose Center Facts

The Campaign for Human Development awarded a grant of \$30,000 to the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw for the implementation of two project proposals.

Two years ago Franklin Gary, Director of the Community Affairs Department of the Diocese of Saginaw, became aware of specific educational and communication needs of the people within the Model Neighborhood of Saginaw. He formulated two proposals which would meet some of those needs. One program was designed for the establishment of a residential supplementary service center which would work with and for the schools within the Saginaw and Diocesan school systems. The other project proposal dealt with plans to establish the Community Affairs Department as a focal point for the discussion of Saginaw education system policies and the programs related to their areas.

The proposals were submitted to the Campaign for Human Development Committee during the 1970-71 campaign and were approved by the Committee in December, 1971.

Twenty thousand dollars were granted for the implementation of the Saginaw Learning Academy. This Academy will offer supplementary services to the Saginaw and Diocesan school systems by attempting to effect improved achievement by the students attending the Academy, in their home schools, through instruction designed to motivate students. The Academy will likewise aid teachers within the system to use the most effective techniques for dealing with underachieving students. Mr Gary is seeking additional funds for this project from OEO.

Ten thousand dollars were granted for the establishment of the Community Affairs Department as an organizational catalyst for the discussion of Saginaw education system policies and the programs related to their areas. This program will provide the Model Neighborhood residents with a regular structured vehicle through which their concern and interests can be funneled, and their understanding of the administration and

policies of schools be increased. This vehicle of communication will likewise be a means of providing input into Boards of Education from the people of the Model Neighborhood for school policies and personnel.

Mr Gary will spearhead the projects which a board of directors and hired personnel will eventually administer.

PERSONAL COMMENTS

Franklin Gary — Director of Community Affairs Department:

"The grants which have been received by the Community Affairs Department are significant in that they deal with change in terms of experimental approaches to teaching, learning and school organization, as they relate to human development. For the residents of Northeast Saginaw, it is the first significant breakthrough in terms of developing outside of the school hierarchy a vehicle through which their concern and interests can be funneled.

Helen Casey (Mrs John) — Member of National Committee for Campaign for Human Development:

"This grant is in accord with key guidelines set up by the National Committee for the Campaign for Human Development to assist it in judging proposals: namely, that the projects must benefit the poor and that they can bring about institutional change. Education is one of six categories which the Campaign for Human Development grants cover, the other five being social and economic development, legal aid, health, housing and communications. All areas are important but none more than opportunities to gear education to the particular needs of persons trapped in poverty.

Below are some of the permanent meetings that are scheduled in the All Purpose Room. They are open to the public. All Model Neighborhood Residents are invited to attend these meetings.

Senior Citizens — every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 4:00 — 5:00

Drug Abuse — every Wednesday, 5:30 - 7:30.

Education and Manpower — every Wednesday 2:00 - 3:00.

Economic Improvement — every Thursday, 1:30 - 2:30.

Physical Development —

every Tuesday 4:00 - 5:00.

Social Committee — every Friday 4:00 - 5:00.

Youth Council — every Saturday, 1:30 - 3:30.

Board Meeting — every 1st Thursday of every month 7:00 - 9:00.

Agencies Located In Multi-Purpose Center:

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MPC Administrative Staff

Big Brothers

Girl Scouts of America

Camp Fire Girls

SMCIC

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Services

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Department of Corrections

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation

Juvenile Rehabilitation
Citizen Participation
Michigan Employment Commission

Neighborhood Youth Corp.
Poverty Peoples Alliance
Community Affairs
(Catholic Diocese of Saginaw)

Credit Union
Boy Scouts of America

Black History Week Program At Church

On February 6, the BYC will be presenting a program in honor of Black History Week. This program will feature black people who have made history in Saginaw, as well as black history on the national level.

The script for the program will include many original poems and other writings by Rev. Hall.

The youth group, under Rev. Hall's direction, will have full responsibility for

the Black History Week program. Rev. Hall urged support of this fine group of young people, whom he called, "not so much the church of tomorrow as they are the church of today."

Tell Us Like It Is

How are we doing?

The Valley Star Newspaper of Model City would like your comments and suggestions about projects which have received Model Cities money.

In order to judge fairly the value of the projects, we must get honest comments, both pro and con, from neighborhood residents.

If you have used or attempted to use the services

provided by the projects and want to make your opinions known, please fill out the brief questionnaire at the right.

Model City projects currently in operation are:

Juvenile Rehabilitation Project, Career Development Project, Model Cities Day Care Program, Youth Protective Service, Multi-Purpose Service Center,

Model Cities Neighborhood Newspaper, Police-Community Relations, Drug Abuse Proposal, Economic Development, Neighborhood Development Program, Senior Citizens Drop-In Center, Upgrading and Extending Services of a Neighborhood Health Clinic.

Any opinions you give us will be kept in strict confidence.

Name

Address Phone

What projects have you come in contact with? Under what circumstances?

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What did you like about the project?

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What didn't you like about the project?

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What else would you like to see the project do?

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Saginaw Black Charities Fund Is Organized



John Moton and Richard Conley discuss Fund Drive.

A group of members of the Diplomat Club and citizens of Saginaw have formed an organization of charity to help and aid people who are in need. However, our main concern will be our scholarship fund.

Our organization is called Saginaw Black Charities Fund. In order to do the things we have in mind we are organizing and promoting several events in the month of February (National Black History Week). The first of which will be our Miss Black

History Week Beauty Contest, February 5, 1972. Also during the month of February we will have a Children's Bowling Tournament, and an Adult's Bowling Tournament. These events will occur from February 5, 1972 through February 13, 1972. On February 12, 1972 we plan to have an African Affair. Sunday, March 12, 1972 we will have our first dinner, we have lined up an outstanding woman educator to be our speaker.

These events are planned to

raise money for our organization, and all events will be held at the Diplomat Club of Saginaw.

We are inviting you and your organization to participate in these affairs. The events are open to the public, including people from the Flint, Bay City and Midland areas.

Thank you for your cooperation and we hope you will support us in our endeavor. Please help us make it a success.

Job Opportunities

EDUCATION PLANNER COORDINATOR

\$10,500 — \$15,400

The Position: Coordinates the educational projects and individual, adult vocational and higher education programs involved in the Model City Program.

Assists the Model City Staff and Board in identifying educational problems.

Assists the Model City Staff and Board in long and short range educational projects, keeps informed and reports on available funding sources, and prepares applications for federal, state, local funding.

Prepares final educational plans.

Qualifications: Thorough knowledge of principles and techniques of planning curriculum and instructional programs.

Thorough knowledge of assessing education needs. Considerable knowledge of urban socio-economic problems. Ability to effectively work with residents. Training and Experience: Graduation from a four year college, with major course work in education, public administration, or related fields.

Salary & Benefits: \$10,500 - \$15,400: Appointment may be made above the minimum dependent upon qualifications. Liberal vacation plan, eight paid holidays, city paid hospitalization, and life insurance, twelve sick leave days, liberal retirement.

Selection Procedure: Will consist of an interview and review of background. Applications will be screened and candidates considered best qualified will be invited for interview.

Application Procedure: Apply immediately to Personnel Office, Room 104, City Hall, Saginaw, Michigan 48601.

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Vendors: Must be high school age.

Concession Workers: Prefer female applicants.

Laborers: Custodial - maintenance work, must be at least 18 years of age.

Laborers must pass physical examinations.

Apply: 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., Monday, December 27th and Wednesday, December 29th, at the Saginaw Civic Center. Thereafter, apply at the Personnel Office, Saginaw City Hall.

Priority given to City residents.

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The Job: Firemen fight fires, answer rescue calls, inspect buildings for fire hazards, maintain equipment and stations and perform related work as required. Duty tours 24 hours each, average of 2.3 tours weekly.

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The Fringe Benefits: 144 hours vacation after one year, 192 hours after 10 years. Paid sick leave. Life Insurance and Hospital Insurance paid by the City. Excellent retirement system. Uniforms furnished. Overtime paid at time and one half. Emergency leave paid.

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Service: You will help others. You will save lives, protect property, and enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that the work you do is really important.

Security: Your future will be secure. No layoffs because of business failures, recessions, automation, etc.

Requirements: Between 21 and not over 31 years of age. Must have been legal Michigan resident for past year. Height not less than 5'7½" nor more than 6'5". Good physical condition; vision correctable to 20-20, High School graduate or GED equivalent. Must be a

resident at least (1) year prior to exam.

Selection Procedure: Applicants must successfully pass a written test, oral examination, psychiatric interview, physical performance test, and medical examination.

Application Procedure: Apply now at Personnel Department, Room 104, City Hall on or before 5:00 p.m. January 20, 1972.

Written exam will be given January 25, 1972 at 8:30 a.m. in the Parks Building, Lunch Room. Physical Ability exam will follow the written examination.

SAGINAW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

NOTICE OF VACANCIES

We wish to announce the following vacancies in the Saginaw Public Schools. All positions listed herein will be funded through the auspices of the Emergency Employment Act.

General Emergency Employment Act Criteria for Applicants:

1. First priority will be given to Vietnam military veterans residing in the Census Tracts indicated on the accompanying map.

2. Applicants gainfully employed elsewhere will not be eligible for placement under this program. Applicants must show evidence of unemployment by presenting a card from the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

3. Emergency Employment Act — Section VI guidelines state that priority must also be given to minority group applicants when such applicants meet the other stated criteria.

Salaries:

1. All salaries and fringe benefits will be paid in accordance with currently established Board of Education salary schedules.

Positions Available:

1. Elementary Teachers: Two positions. Applicants must hold Michigan teacher certification.

2. Job Placement Counselor for Disadvantaged Youth: Two or more positions. Applicants need not necessarily hold teacher certification.

3. Teacher Aides: Eight positions in various aide areas including library aide.

4. Secretarial: Four



Good Points Out Weigh Bad

Mrs. Claudine Wicks of 224 North 5th admits that she does not know as much about the Model Cities Program as she should due to her negligence to read the provided information about the program. She also states that from what she's heard, Model Cities is good, and even though it has had its squabbles, the good points out weigh the bad.

One Of The Best Things

Mrs. Sarah Berkley 1605 Federal says that Model Cities is a worthwhile organization in our community. Basically it has helped the inner city group with the programs it has offered. Because Mrs. Berkley works she does not get to attend Model Cities meetings as regularly as she would like to. She feels that every citizen should attend. "It's one of the best things that could happen," says Mrs. Berkley.

Supervision Of Delinquent Kids

Miss Elaine Hicks South 9th thinks that Model Cities has helped in the supervision of delinquent kids. This has helped the city because it has helped young adults grow up to be responsible citizens.

Food Stamp A Great Help

Mrs. Lillie Harris 127 North cited many convenience about the Model Cities Program. The food stamp program being her first choice. She feels that also the Juvenile Probation Court is fulfilling its purpose of directing and guiding juvenile delinquents of the Model Cities neighborhood area.

It's Great!

William Antwine of 2019 Janes said that he could really see the housing improvements. He cited the parks Model Cities has put up and in summary Mr. Antwine says that Model Cities is great!

Anything Goes

by Karen Webb

Anything goes in the fashion world today. Styles in clothing have opened themselves up and have lent

positions. Duties will range from clerk-typist to secretary to a program director or supervisor.

In order to obtain applications, call the Saginaw Board of Education Personnel Office at 755-6501. Names and addresses will be taken and appropriate applications sent.

themselves to suit even the most scrupulous of tastes. There is no longer a reason for a person to be "out" of mode in their choice of dress because everything is voguish. You can even reach back in your mother and grandmother's closets, select some wearing apparel, maybe alter it and once again you are smartly dressed, and still in style. The variety in dress lengths has also allowed for a wider choice in dress, mini, midi, maxi, whatever your mood calls for.

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social studies and politics, math courses.

Opinions were given about the operation of the school by both teacher and student:

Mrs. Donna Drake, who dropped out in the 10th grade,

said, "that the night school program is wonderful." She admitted that it takes courage to go back to school and finish, but there is the comfort of knowing that she isn't the only one. Mrs. Drake feels the school must continue because it is very badly

needed. She stated further that she would be willing to make tax deductible payments to the school in support of its program. She also feels the atmosphere of St. Joseph seems to be like "one big happy family."

Richard Gomez likes the AEP very much. He gets a lot of help in the areas he found more difficult at other schools. The teachers are really concerned about their pupils and therefore, they receive plenty of individual help. St. Joseph seems to fulfill just about all their needs.

Walter Haynes has attended the AEP one year and recently passed the GED test. He feels the program to be a big success. He also feels that the city should support it 100 percent just as much as the students.

They both desire an unlimited supply of materials to expand their teaching program and they feel that the city should support the program with no strings attached.

Other students attending, Mary Lou Camargo, Wanda People and Wanda Napier preferred night school to the day. The classes are more adapted to their personal needs. They feel that the school is doing the best it can on the small amount of money it has.

Dimma Villereal, Connie Villereal and Mrs. Constance Billings approves wholeheartedly of the program. It's a great opportunity to further your education. Support is needed from every available source. Mrs. Billings feels that the city should support the program because we're paying enough tax.

Finally George Gant, who teaches Delta courses through the St. Joseph center. This program serves to bring college to where there is a greater concentration of students. Perhaps, also, it serves to motivate students

to enroll fulltime in college. Gant said he could see no bad points about the program, in fact, he stated that the programs could only improve the bad situation. As far as financial aid goes, Gant feels that Adult Education should be self-supporting, but in cases where the economic base is obviously substandard, we should subsidize with funds from private and public sources.

Hard Job

Pick a day to quit smoking cigarettes. It's not always easy to quit, the American Cancer Society admits, but it could save your life from lung cancer.

Correction

Mrs. Sara Moton was president of the Alpha Kappa Alpha for the year of 1970-71. Also stated officers are those of 1972, instead of '71:

President, Mrs. Carrie Zackrie; vice president, Mrs. Marilyn Adams; secretary, Miss Linda Malone; asst. secretary, Mrs. Willett Johnson; bookkeeper, Mrs. Della Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Frances Carter; parliamentarian, Mrs. Sandra Haughton; reporter, Mrs. Doreen Leek.

Article was submitted by Mrs. Sara Moton.

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Snowmobiling Is Official 4-H Project

Snowmobiling is an official 4-H project. It's an exciting new project area that combines recreation with learning about safety rules maintenance of a snowmobile, how to dress and Michigan laws governing snowmobile operation.

Recently the Michigan State Legislature adopted a new bill No. 4011 that states — "Beginning Jan. 1, 1973 a person who is at least 12 but less than 16 years of age, may operate a snowmobile if he has in his immediate possession a snowmobile safety certificate."

The Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources has announced that 4-H members 12 years old and over are eligible for certification if they complete the 4-H Snowmobile Course under leadership approved by the County 4-H Youth Agent.

With the ever increasing number of licensed snowmobiles in Michigan, young people are learning that snowmobiles offer a new adventure for wintertime sports.

The 4-H project is expected to develop skill in handling and maintaining a

snowmobile, appreciation for the necessity of laws governing snowmobiling, interest and enthusiasm for the out-of-doors during the winter season, and understanding the inter-relationship of people working together.

Through this project youth will become familiar with the snowmobile. They will learn about maintenance and repairs, safe operating procedures, the code of ethics for snowmobilers, and the proper dress for snowmobiling. They might also plan and lay-out snowmobile trails, and learn to load and transport a snowmobile safely.

The snowmobile project makes an excellent family activity.

The County 4-H Extension office in Saginaw County heartily endorses and encourages this 4-H program. Cooperation and assistance will be given by the 4-H office as well as local snowmobile dealers in conducting this project.

The 4-H office has excellent bulletins and teaching materials available and anyone interested in starting a snowmobile project is invited to call Robert Bolger, Extension 4-H Youth Agent at 793-9100.



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Yes, We Can, Too!

BY LARRY JONES

Dr Martin Luther King Jr said, and I quote, "We can glow out of the mountain of despair, a stone of hope. We can transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood." Unquote.

These were the words of a very special leader. But, more than that they were words of wisdom and truth.

Even though our journey has been long and hard, we can still make it. Yes, I know you still have the deep memories of the blood and lives lost during these past years of struggle. But remember, in order to gain something, you must give up something, because you can't get something for nothing.

The measure of our success is hard to evaluate. We can vote, share public places and many other rights but, on the other hand, churches are still segregated, minorities still pay more in housing for less, we still do not get the real good jobs that many of us are more than qualified for. But, we can make it.

Yes, we can make it because, we have the intelligence, durability and patience. Our rich history proves that. We built America right along with the whites. What better proof do we need, that we can make it.

Many people died and sacrificed their blood for our cause. Dr King was one of those. But we can't stop now because the surface has only been touched. We must make sure that those sacrifices weren't in vain.

Let's start working towards our real effectency. Let's find out what's going on and really get involved in life. Let's get a larger piece of the pie. Because we are intelligent, we can work out a lot of our own problems. We can't sit around and wait for

things to come to us. We've got to move, time waits for no one! A group of people can go a long, long way if they work as a team. Think about it and then get involved.

Sister

BY IRVIN GRIFFIN

A Queen among women,
A shield from despair
When times were unruly,
My sister was there.

On the spot with nodding head,
The way grandmother always did,
Always helping, never a bother,
With the knowledge of my father's father.

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